

Appl. No. 10/604,703

Response dated Jan. 27, 2006

Reply to Not. of Non-Compliant Amend. of Jan. 25, 2006

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

1. The Examiner issued a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment noting that claims 1-36 and 63-87 were listed as being withdrawn in Applicants' amendment filed November 23, 2005 even though they had been formally cancelled by Applicants by an amendment filed on July 21, 2005. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the corrected claims section provided herein.

Amendments to the Claims

2. Applicants have herein corrected the status of the claims to reflect that claims 1-87 stand cancelled. However, because claims 1-36 and 63-87 were withdrawn and cancelled solely in response to a prior restriction requirement, Applicants reserve their right to reintroduce the subject matter of any or all of claims 1-87 back into the present application if a bridging claim is found to be allowable (M.P.E.P. § 809.02) and to file any divisional or continuation applications directed to the subject matter of any or all of claims 1-87 in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) and M.P.E.P. §§ 201.11, 201.06(e).

3. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone, facsimile or email if the Examiner believes that such a communication would advance the prosecution of the instant application. Please charge any necessary fees associated herewith, including extension of time fees (if applicable and not paid by separate check), to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-1111.

Respectfully submitted,

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